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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 3677**

S/N 10/608,677

**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	KAWAHARA	Examiner:	JAMES R. BRITTAIN
Serial No.:	10/608,677	Group Art Unit:	3677
Filed:	JUNE 24, 2003	Docket No.:	10877.0054US01
Title:	A SLIDE FASTENER		

**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d):** The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on October 22, 2004.

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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.